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Title: COMPOSITION AND METHOD FOR INHIBITING STAIN
FORMATION IN A FLOOR COVERING

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action mailed September 21, 2005, please amend the above-referenced patent application as set forth in the following pages.

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